

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A method and system are provided for asynchronously providing interested applications of state changes in removable devices. A device driver polls the device associated with the driver for state changes. The state changes result in a change notification being  
5 generated. The driver provides the change notifications to the interested applications. The present invention also provides a change notification by a device driver to interested applications when a client application initiates a change in the device.

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